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INDO-CHINA BILATERAL TIES IN INFRASTRUCTURE SECTOR
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether China has offered to expand bilateral ties with India in the infrastructure sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the reaction of Government thereto;

(d) whether detailed talks have been held between the two countries in this regard and modalities finalised; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

(a) to (e) : Recently, a Chinese delegation visited India and had an interaction with the Indian businessmen and expressed the desire of Chinese companies to jointly explore projects on BOT basis in areas like railways, housing, hospitals, bridges, etc. The Chinese companies have been participating in the process of award of works in the infrastructure sector. Some of the infrastructure projects in which Chinese companies are associated are :

(i) M/s. China National Machinery & Equipment Import & Export Corporation thermal power project at Muddanur, Rayalaseema, Andhra Pradesh.

(ii) China Coal Construction Company in the four-laning and strengthening, part of the two-lane national highway from Shikohabad to Etawah in Uttar Pradesh.

(iii) Shandong Electric Power Construction Corporation in the BALCO Project in the construction and three-year post operative maintenance contract for the captive power project for the Sterlite-owned aluminium producer, Balco, at Korba, Chhattisgarh.

(iv) ZTE in BSNL & MTNL projects for DWDM (Dense Wavelength Division Multiplexing) systems, BSNL`s CDMA project and MTNL`s ADSL (Asymmetric Digital Subscribers Line) project.